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Organizational matters: arrangements for accreditation and participation of major groups and other relevant stakeholders in the preparatory process and in the United Nations Conference on Housing and Sustainable Urban Development (Habitat III)

Arrangements for accreditation and participation of major groups and other relevant stakeholders in the preparatory process and in the United Nations Conference on Housing and Sustainable Urban Development

Note by the secretariat**

1. The General Assembly, in resolution 67/216, encouraged effective contributions from and the active participation of all relevant stakeholders, including local governments, major groups as identified in Agenda 21, the relevant United Nations funds and programmes, the regional commissions and specialized agencies, the international financial institutions and other Habitat Agenda partners, at all stages of the preparatory process for the Conference on Housing and Sustainable Urban Development (Habitat III) and at the Conference itself.

2. The secretariat subsequently submitted a note on the arrangements for accreditation and participation of major groups and other relevant stakeholders in the preparatory process and in the Conference (A/CONF.226/PC.1/3).

3. The Preparatory Committee, at its first session, held in New York on 17 and 18 September 2014, recommended that the note by the secretariat be considered at its second session (A/CONF/226/PC.1/6, para. 14).

4. In its resolution 69/226, the General Assembly emphasized the importance of the wide participation of all relevant stakeholders, including local authorities, in the promotion of sustainable urbanization and settlements and called upon Member States to ensure effective participation in the preparatory process and in the Conference itself of local governments and all other stakeholders.

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5. In the same resolution, the General Assembly decided that the major groups and the non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council, as well as those accredited to Habitat II and the summit to be held in September 2015 for the adoption of the post-2015 development agenda, would register in order to participate in the Conference. The General Assembly also decided that non-governmental organizations not in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council wishing to attend and contribute to the Conference, and whose work was relevant to the subject of the Conference, could participate as observers in the Conference as well as in the preparatory meetings, in accordance with the provisions contained in part VII of Council resolution 1996/31, and subject to the approval of the Preparatory Committee in plenary meeting, and that, while respecting fully the provisions contained in rule 57 of the rules of procedure of the functional commissions of the Council, such a decision should be made by consensus.

6. Those non-governmental organizations and major groups not in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council but wishing to attend and to contribute to the Conference and its preparatory process were requested to apply to the Conference secretariat for that purpose. Such special accreditation will be limited solely to the Conference and its preparatory process.

7. Applications for special accreditation were made online at the website of the Conference (www.habitat3.org). The Conference secretariat, with support from the United Nations Non-Governmental Liaison Service and others, as appropriate, reviewed the relevance of the work of the applicants on the basis of their background and involvement in sustainable urban development issues. If the evaluation showed, on the basis of the information provided, that the applicant organization was competent and its activities relevant to the work of the Conference, the Conference secretariat recommended to the Preparatory Committee, for its decision, the accreditation of the organization. In cases where such recommendation was not made, the Conference secretariat made available to the Preparatory Committee the reasons why. The Conference secretariat submitted its recommendations to the Preparatory Committee for review and endorsement.

8. An organization that has been granted accreditation to attend a session of the Preparatory Committee may attend all of its future sessions and the Conference itself.

9. The Conference secretariat evaluated 33 completed application packages that were received by 15 March 2015. The list of non-governmental organizations and other major groups recommended by the Conference secretariat is contained in the annex to the present note.

Annex

Consolidated list of non-governmental organizations and other major groups recommended for special accreditation to the United Nations Conference on Housing and Sustainable Urban Development (Habitat III)[a]

Total number of organizations: 33

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[a] Excludes organizations accredited with the Economic and Social Council.

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